GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:392
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2002
TECHNOLOGY MISSION ON WOOL
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to launch a Technology Mission on Wool for development of the woollen sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other steps taken to develop woollen sector into a main source for earning foreign exchange and at the same time for generating employment opportunities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 392 FOR 19-4-2002.

(a) & (b) : In pursuance of the recommendations contained in the 43rd Report of the Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce and the Report of the Working Group on Textiles & Jute industry for the Tenth Five Year Plan for setting up of a Technology Mission for improvement of Indian wool, the Government has initiated action to launch a Technology Mission on Wool in the Tenth Five Year Plan.

(c) Apart from the various schemes being administered by the Central Wool Development Board, Jodhpur and the State Governments for the development of wool and woollen products, fresh programmes for the development of specialty fibres such as Pashmina and Angora have started. The Woollen Industry would also benefit from measures taken or initiated for the modernization & growth of the Textile Industry as a whole, such as the Technology Upgradation Fund scheme, the dereservation of the garment sector, the increase in limits of investment for small scale units in knitwear sector, the Integrated Apparel Parks scheme, the scheme for development of critical infrastructure in Export Oriented Clusters etc.